

## CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

**TOP SECRET****SECRET**

NPIC REGISTRY

(When Filled In)

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TOP SECRET TTTT RUFF

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1. A POSSIBLE LOCATION FOR THE REPORTED 6 KT SOVIET SEISMIC DISTURBANCE OF 19 SEPTEMBER 1971 HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AT 5731N04238E, EAST-NORTHEAST OF KINESHMA AND APPROXIMATELY 85 NM NORTHWEST OF GORKIY, USSR. THIS LOCATION IS APPROXIMATELY 11 NM NORTH-NORTHWEST OF THE REPORTED COORDINATES FOR THE SEISMIC DISTURBANCE.

2. PHOTOGRAPHY OF REVEALED A LARGE DRILL RIG IN A CLEARED AREA. A PROBABLE SUPPORT CAMP, CONSISTING OF SIXTEEN VANS, WAS 0.7 NM NORTHWEST OF THE DRILL SITE.

3. PRELIMINARY GROUND SCARRING AT THE DRILL SITE WAS OBSERVED ON PHOTOGRAPHY.

4. A COMPLETE SEARCH OF THE AREA IN THE VICINITY OF THE SEISMIC COORDINATES IS CONTINUING.

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